

***TOWN OF NEWFIELDS BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2009***

Present: Selectmen Wes Moore, Rosanne Gilbert, and Michael Woodworth. Police Chief Reed was also present.

Call to order: 6:08 pm by Chairman Moore

Chief Reed reports that the flower bulbs donated to the Town as a result of the Police Department litter pickup have been delivered to the Newfields Garden Club. The Garden Club is now in the process of planting the bulbs around Town.

The Chief is meeting with the Budget Advisory Committee tonight along with Tom Conner to discuss the 2010 Emergency Management Budget.

There is an informational clinic tomorrow on H1N1 that the Chief will attend. He will forward a summary report to the Selectmen, Emergency Management, and the Fire Department.

The Police Department in conjunction with two Newfields churches will be doing a food drive. They deliver food baskets to the needy at Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter. They will be looking for donations of food, canned goods, dry goods, people to cook, and money.

A grant of \$1,500.00 was secured to send Lt. Gould to a special school for a week.

One of the cruisers was in a small accident over the weekend. It is the cruiser being replaced and should not affect the trade in value. Repairs will not be made.

The Chief has received a flood of e-mails regarding the yard sale held at the Town Hall a couple of weeks ago. Michael will contact them about a detail being required if they hold another yard sale. They will also need an adult to supervise the inside of the Town Hall.

Michael made a motion to accept the changes to the *Ordinance to Regulate Vendors, Hawkers, Peddlers, Solicitors, and Other Itinerant Vendors*. Rosanne seconded the motion and the motion passed with all in favor.

The Chief's contract expires at the end of this year. Chief Reed stated that if he is offered a raise for 2010, he will not accept it. He feels it would not be fair if all of the other employees are not receiving a raise. The Board thanks Chief Reed for his generosity.

Checks were signed.

The letter to the Newfields School Board was signed. A copy of the letter is attached at the end of these minutes. The Selectmen are asking the School Board Members to ask their employees not to take any contractual raises next year.

RSA 91-A:3 was tabled until next week.

Correspondence from Warrenstreet Architects was reviewed.

A motion was made by Rosanne to award the 2010 assessing contract to R. B. Wood & Associates, Inc. Michael seconded the motion and the motion passed with all in favor.

The Liberty Tree Memorial was discussed. The Selectmen need more information such as who pays for the tree, the planting, the memorial sign, and the tree transportation. Nancy will report back to the Selectmen next week. If the Selectmen go forward on this project, a site needs to be chosen for the tree.

The Audit responses were tabled until next week.

A list of proposed warrant articles for 2010 was reviewed.

The Exeter Snow Hounds, Inc. asked for the Town's permission to snowmobile on the closed portion of Cuba Road. They have been doing so for the last twenty-five years. A letter will be drafted giving them permission.

The Selectmen decided not to send a donation to the Community Resource Network.

The renewal contract with Bestway Disposal was discussed. Newfields is part of a tri-town contract. The Selectmen will meet with representatives from Bestway along with Stratham, and Newmarket to discuss the upcoming renewal contract.

The Selectmen decided that further spraying for mosquito control is not needed. Nancy will contact Dragon Mosquito to let them know.

Correspondence from PRB Construction, Inc. was reviewed. Wes will speak with the Building Inspector about this as it concerns the new building being constructed for the Newfields Village Water & Sewer District.

The Town was chosen to participate in the NH Municipal Energy Assistance Program. Michael agreed to be the town representative

At 7:16pm the meeting went into a non-public session per RSA 91-A3 II. The meeting re-opened to the public at 7:19pm.

Michael made a motion to accept the minutes of the October 6, 2009 meeting as amended. Wes seconded the motion. The motion passed with both in favor. Rosanne was unable to vote as she was unable to attend that meeting.

Rosanne made a motion to accept the minutes of the October 8, 2009 meeting. Michael seconded the motion and the motion passed with all in favor.

The meeting went into a non-public session per RSA 91-A3 II. The meeting returned to a public session at 7:38pm.

Rosanne made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:38pm. Michael seconded the motion and the motion passed with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Spencer
Administrative Assistant